1.    A method for remotely controlling the remote video input device, the method comprising:

using a control point to discover a remote video input device that is configured to provide a video service;

5       receiving a description of the video service that is provided by the remote video input device; and

remotely controlling an action of the video service.

2.    A method as recited in claim 1, wherein step for using a control point to

10    discover a remote video input device utilizes a UPnP protocol.

3.    A method as recited in claim 2, wherein the step for receiving a description of the video service that is provided by the remote video input device further employs the UPnP protocol.

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4.    A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the control point comprises any control point of the system.

5.    A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a brightness

20    setting of the remote video input device.

6.    A method as recited in claim 5, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)    querying a current brightness setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a brightness setting for the remote video input device.

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7.    A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a contrast setting of the remote video input device.

8.    A method as recited in claim 7, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

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(i)    querying a current contrast setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a contrast setting for the remote video input device.

9.    A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a hue

15    setting of the remote video input device.

10.    A method as recited in claim 9, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)    querying a current hue setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a hue setting for the remote video input device.

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11.    A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a saturation setting of the remote video input device.

12.     A method as recited in claim 11, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)     querying a current saturation setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a saturation setting for the remote video input device.

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13.     A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a zoom setting of the remote video input device.

14.     A method as recited in claim 13, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

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(i)     querying a current zoom setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a zoom setting for the remote video input device.

15.     A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a pan setting of the remote video input device.

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16.     A method as recited in claim 15, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)     querying a current pan setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a pan setting for the remote video input device.

20      17.     A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a tilt setting of the remote video input device.

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18.     A method as recited in claim 17, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)     querying a current tilt setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a tilt setting for the remote video input device.

5       19.     A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a focus setting of the remote video input device.

20.     A method as recited in claim 19, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)     querying a current focus setting of the remote video input device; and

10      (ii)    establishing a focus setting for the remote video input device.

21.     A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the action corresponds to a status setting of the remote video input device.

15      22.     A method as recited in claim 21, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

(i)     querying a current status setting of the remote video input device; and

(ii)    establishing a status setting for the remote video input device.

23.     A networked video system comprising:

a video device coupled to a network, wherein the video device is configured to selectively provide a video service; and

a remote control point coupled to the network, wherein the remote control point is configured to discover the remote video input device, receive a description of the video service that is provided by the remote video input device, and remotely control an action of the video service.


24.     A system as recited in claim 23, wherein the remote control point uses a UPnP protocol to discover the remote video input device, receive a description of the video service that is provided by the remote video input device, and remotely control the action of the video service.


25.     A system as recited in claim 23, wherein the control point is any control point of the system.

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26.     A system as recited in claim 23, wherein the action corresponds to at least one

of:

(i)     a zoom setting of the remote video input device;

(ii)    a pan setting of the remote video input device;

5       (iii)   a tilt setting of the remote video input device;

(iv)    a focus setting of the remote video input device;

(v)     a status setting of the remote video input device;

(vi)    a brightness setting of the remote video input device;

(vii)   a contrast setting of the remote video input device;

10      (viii)  a hue setting of the remote video input device; and

(ix)    a saturation setting of the remote video input device.

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27. A system as recited in claim 26, wherein the action comprises at least one of:

   (i)     querying a current zoom setting of the remote video input device;

   (ii)    establishing a zoom setting for the remote video input device;

   (iii)   querying a current pan setting of the remote video input device;

5  (iv)    establishing a pan setting for the remote video input device;

   (v)     querying a current tilt setting of the remote video input device;

   (vi)    establishing a tilt setting for the remote video input device;

   (vii)   querying a current focus setting of the remote video input device;

   (viii)  establishing a focus setting for the remote video input device;

10  (ix)   querying a current status setting of the remote video input device;

   (x)     establishing a status setting for the remote video input device;

   (xi)    querying a current brightness setting of the remote video input device;

   (xii)   establishing a brightness setting for the remote video input device;

   (xiii)  querying a current contrast setting of the remote video input device;

15  (xiv)  establishing a contrast setting for the remote video input device;

   (xv)    querying a current hue setting of the remote video input device;

   (xvi)   establishing a hue setting for the remote video input device;

   (xvii)  querying a current saturation setting of the remote video input device; and

20  (xviii) establishing a saturation setting for the remote video input device.

28.    A computer program product for implementing within a computer system a
method for remotely controlling a remote video input device, the computer program product
comprising:

a computer readable medium for providing computer program code means

5    utilized to implement the method, wherein the computer program code means is
comprised of executable code for implementing the steps for:

using a control point to discover a remote video input device that is
configured to provide a video service;

receiving a description of the video service that is provided by the

10    remote video input device; and

remotely controlling an action of the video service.


29.    A computer program product as recited in claim 28, wherein the step for using
a control point to discover a remote video input device utilizes a UPnP protocol, and wherein

15    the step for receiving a description of the video service that is provided by the remote video
input device further employs the UPnP protocol.

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30.    A computer program product as recited in claim 28, wherein the action

corresponds to at least one of:

(i)    a zoom setting of the remote video input device;

(ii)    a pan setting of the remote video input device;

5    (iii)    a tilt setting of the remote video input device;

(iv)    a focus setting of the remote video input device;

(v)    a status setting of the remote video input device;

(vi)    a brightness setting of the remote video input device;

(vii)    a contrast setting of the remote video input device;

10    (viii)    a hue setting of the remote video input device; and

(ix)    a saturation setting of the remote video input device.

31.   A computer program product as recited in claim 30, wherein the action is one

of:

(i)      querying a current zoom setting of the remote video input device;

(ii)     establishing a zoom setting for the remote video input device;

(iii)    querying a current pan setting of the remote video input device;

(iv)     establishing a pan setting for the remote video input device;

(v)      querying a current tilt setting of the remote video input device;

(vi)     establishing a tilt setting for the remote video input device;

(vii)    querying a current focus setting of the remote video input device;

(viii)   establishing a focus setting for the remote video input device;

(ix)     querying a current status setting of the remote video input device;

(x)      establishing a status setting for the remote video input device;

(xi)     querying a current brightness setting of the remote video input device;

(xii)    establishing a brightness setting for the remote video input device;

(xiii)   querying a current contrast setting of the remote video input device;

(xiv)    establishing a contrast setting for the remote video input device;

(xv)     querying a current hue setting of the remote video input device;

(xvi)    establishing a hue setting for the remote video input device;

(xvii)   querying a current saturation setting of the remote video input device;
and

(xviii)  establishing a saturation setting for the remote video input device.